

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of setting up an Internet server, comprising the steps of:

receiving by an Internet service provider, from a client, information on a connecting environment of ~~said~~ the Internet server;

generating by the Internet service provider, connection setup information for ~~said~~ the connecting environment to enable ~~said~~ the Internet server to be connected to the Internet according to the connection setup information;

storing by the Internet service provider, ~~said~~ the connection setup information in a storage medium; and ~~[[;]]~~

transferring the storage medium from the Internet service provider to the client;

wherein ~~said~~ the connection setup information allows the client to have ~~said~~ the Internet server set up for Internet access by locally installing ~~upon local installation of-~~ ~~said~~ the storage medium in the server, and

wherein a connection setting processing procedure detects current connection setup information, detects a difference between the current connection setup information on the server and the connection setup information stored on the locally installed storage medium, and updates ~~said~~ the connection setup information stored on ~~said~~ the locally installed storage medium in accordance with the current connection setup information stored on the server.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 1, wherein said connection setup information includes at least one IP address of said Internet server, host name and domain name of a client.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 1, wherein said locally installable storage medium:

stores a unique password pertaining to said Internet server that enables setup processing for said Internet server when said password matches an initial password which is set up in said Internet server.

4. (Currently Amended) A method of setting up an Internet server, comprising the steps of:

sending to an Internet service provider, by a client, information on a connecting environment of the Internet server;

receiving by ~~from the~~ an Internet service provider, ~~from a~~ by the client, a locally installable storage medium containing connection setup information corresponding to the connecting environment; ~~information on a connecting environment of said Internet server;~~

~~accessing said Internet server and a locally installable storage medium related to said Internet server; and~~

performing connection set up processing to connect said the Internet server to the Internet by the client locally installing said the storage medium on the Internet server;

~~wherein information stored by the Internet service provider, in said locally installable storage medium is connection setup information that pertains to a connecting environment of said Internet server; and~~

wherein a connection setting processing procedure detects current connection setup information, detects a difference between the current connection setup information on the server and the connection setup information stored on the locally installed storage medium, and updates ~~said the~~ connection setup information stored on ~~said the~~ locally installed storage medium in accordance with the current connection setup information stored on the server.

5. (Currently Amended) A method of setting an information communication apparatus for connecting to a network, ~~said the~~ method comprising:

a first step of storing, in a locally installable storage medium ~~of by~~ an Internet service provider, connection setting information for connecting ~~said the~~ information communication apparatus to ~~said the~~ network in a use environment of ~~said the~~ information communication apparatus on the side of a client; ~~and~~

a second step of transferring the storage medium to the client; and

~~a second third~~ step of reading, ~~upon when the client locally installs local~~ installation of ~~said the~~ storage medium on ~~said the~~ information communication apparatus, ~~said the~~ connection setting information from ~~said the~~ locally installed storage medium to initialize the connection of ~~said the~~ information communication apparatus to ~~said the~~ network;

wherein a connection setting processing procedure detects current connection setup information, detects a difference between the current connection setup

information on the ~~server~~ information communication apparatus and the connection setup information stored on the locally installed storage medium, and updates said the connection setup information stored on said the locally installed storage medium in accordance with the current connection setup information stored on the ~~server~~ information communication apparatus. ; and-

~~wherein said connection setting information is received at a different location than the location where the information communication apparatus initializes a connection to said network upon local installation of said storage medium.~~

6. (Previously Presented) The method of setting an information communication apparatus according to claim 5, wherein:

said first step stores a unique password in said storage medium together with said connection setting information; and

said second step compares said password with a password previously set in said information communication apparatus, and connects said information communication apparatus to said network when said password matches the password previously set in said information communication apparatus.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of setting an information communication apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said storage medium comprises a semiconductor memory removably mountable to said information communication apparatus.

8. (Previously Presented) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 1, wherein said connection setting processing procedure is performed automatically upon detection of the change to said connection setup information.

9. (Currently Amended) A method of setting up a network server, comprising the steps of:

receiving by an Internet service provider, from a client, information on a connecting environment relating to ~~said~~ the network server;

generating by the Internet service provider, connection setup information for ~~said~~ the connecting environment to enable ~~said~~ the network server to be connected to the network according to the information; ~~and~~

storing by the Internet service provider, ~~said~~ the setup information in a storage medium; and

transferring the storage medium from the Internet service provider to the client;

wherein ~~said~~ the setup information allows the client to have ~~said~~ the network server set up for network access by locally installing upon local installation of said the storage medium in the server, and

wherein a connection setting processing procedure detects current connection setup information, detects a difference between the current connection setup information on the server and the connection setup information stored on the locally installed storage medium, and updates ~~said~~ the connection setup information stored on ~~said~~ the locally installed storage medium in accordance with the current connection setup information stored on the server.

10. (New) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 1, further comprising the step of the server denying access to the internet unless:

the storage medium is installed in the server; and

a password stored in the storage medium matches a password stored in the Internet server.

11. (New) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 1, further comprising the step of the server denying access to the internet unless a user enters a password matching a password on the storage medium.

12. (New) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 1, wherein more than one client computer can connect to the internet through the server.

13. (New) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 1, further comprising the step of updating the connection setup information on the server by a client computer connected to the server through a network.

14. (New) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 4, further comprising the step of the server denying access to the internet unless:

the storage medium is installed in the server; and

a password stored in the storage medium matches a password stored in the Internet server.

15. (New) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 4, further comprising the step of the server denying access to the internet unless a user enters a password matching a password on the storage medium.

16. (New) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 4, wherein more than one client computer can connect to the internet through the server.

17. (New) The method of setting up an Internet server according to claim 4, further comprising the step of updating the connection setup information on the server by a client computer connected to the server through a network.